

CABERNET MERLOT 2004

Our softer, everyday range named to honour the 114-year-old historic racing stables which house the winery. These wines are soft and approachable, inviting conversation, conviviality and hospitality.

TASTING NOTES

Stables Cabernet Merlot 2004 is a wine of contemporary style that shows excellent ripe fruit, balance and structure.

The 2004 season was characterised by a cool spring and summer, and a warm, dry autumn. Careful vineyard management ensured the grapes were picked at optimal maturity and condition and the wine shows excellent flavour, weight and concentration.

Colour

Deep red.

Bouquet

Fragrant berry aromas. Subtle cedary oak.

Palate

A medium-bodied red wine with plum and berry flavours on the palate. Soft tannins with a lingering cedary oak finish.

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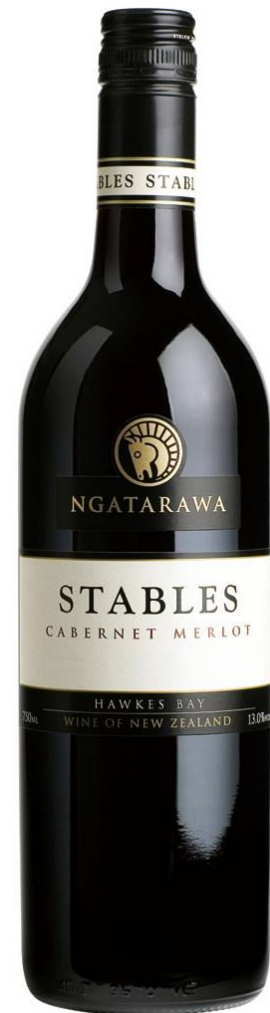
Best enjoyed within five years of vintage date.

Food Suggestion:

Best enjoyed with red meats, lamb, poultry or with pasta dishes like lasagne or spaghetti bolognese.

The Corban family

The Corban family has been making wine in New Zealand for more than 100 years. Today their story continues at Fairbrothers Estate Wines - the picturesque winery in the century old Racing Stables in Hawke's Bay.



Technical Notes

Vintage:	2004
Region:	Hawke's Bay
Winemaker:	Alwyn Corban Peter Gough
Grape Ratio:	Cabernet Sauvignon 44% Merlot 41% Malbec 15%
Alc/Vol:	13.0 %
Total Acid:	5.2 g/l
Residual Sugar:	<2g/l
pH:	3.73



